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Application Number	10/230,368
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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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DEPLOYABLE RIGID SYSTEM FOR CRASH ENERGY MANAGEMENT

(Title of the Invention)

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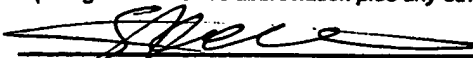
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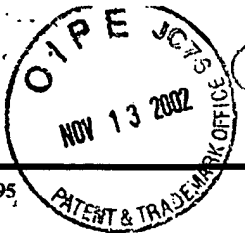
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ASSIGNMENT OF APPLICATION AND PATENT

WHEREAS, I, Sotirios Kellas residing at 512 Birkdale Court, Yorktown, VA 23693; hereinafter referred to as applicant, have invented a certain new and useful "DEPOYABLE RIGID SYSTEM FOR CRASH ENERGY MANAGEMENT", for which I have made application for Letters Patent of the United States as fully set forth and described in the specification filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on August 29, 2002, and assigned Serial Number 10/230,368; and

WHEREAS, Veridian Systems Division, Inc., a corporation duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Michigan and having a place of business at 1200 South Hayes Street, Suite 1100, Arlington, Virginia 22202, hereinafter referred to as assignee, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title, and interest in and to said invention and any and all patents which may be granted therefor in the United States and elsewhere throughout the world;

NOW THEREFORE, to all whom it may concern, be it known, that for good and valuable consideration, to us in hand paid, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we, said applicants, have sold, assigned, transferred, and set over, and by these presents do sell, assign, transfer, and set over unto said assignee, the entire right, title, and interest in and to said invention; and any and all improvements disclosed in the aforesaid application for patent, as fully set forth and described therein; and all divisional, continuing, substitute, renewal, reissue, and all other applications for patents derived from the aforesaid application which have been or shall be filed in the United States; and any and all United States patents to be issued therefor in the United States; and all corresponding foreign counterpart applications derived from the aforesaid United States patent application and related applications as prepared for and filed in

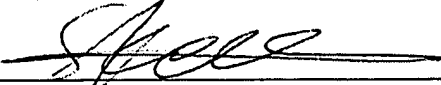
any and all foreign countries; and all foreign patents issued therefor, said entire right, title, and interest in and to said invention being the same for said assignee's own use and for the use of its assigns, successors, and legal representatives to the full end of the term for which said patents may be granted as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by us had this assignment and sale not been made;

AND WE, for ourselves, our heirs, assigns, successors, and legal representatives hereby covenant to and with said assignee, its assigns, successors, and legal representatives, that we have full right to sell and assign the entire right, title, and interest in and to said invention and any and all patents to be had therefor and that the entire right, title and interest herein conveyed is free from all prior assignment, grant, mortgage, license, or other encumbrance whatsoever;

AND WE ALSO, for ourselves, our heirs, assigns, successors, and legal representatives hereby further covenant to and with said assignee, its assigns, successors, and legal representatives to fully cooperate therewith in the prosecution of the aforesaid application in the United States Patent and Trademark Office and in any and all foreign jurisdictions, said cooperation extending to any U.S. or foreign application derived from the aforesaid application, and including the execution of additional declarations, assignments, and other formal documents as may be required in connection therewith;

AND WE do hereby authorize and request the United States Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue said United States Letters Patents to said assignee, as the assignee of our entire right, title, and interest therein.

In Testimony Whereof, we each have hereunto set our hand and seal as indicated below.


Sotirios Kellas

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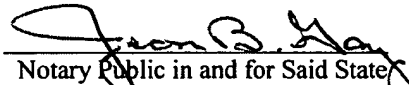
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On this 4 day of November, 2002, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Sotirios Kellas, personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same in his individual and authorized capacities, and that by his signature on this instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed this instrument.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal the day and year first above written.


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